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Dog day afternoon



photo by Cpl. Kurt Fredrickson

Military working dog, Rex, clears a barrier during a recent demonstration at the Provost Marshal's Office. The dog handlers and dogs of PMO's K-9 section provide added security for the Station in ways no one else can.

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photo by Cpl. Trent Rundell

Colonel Dave Darrah

Station CO calls for unity

by Col. Dave Darrah
Station Commanding Officer

Marines, Sailors, Soldiers, Airmen, Marine civilians, Japanese national employees, and family members – the world as we knew it changed forever on Sept. 11, 2001.

It was a clear, late summer morning on the East Coast of the United States when 19 men boarded four U.S. commercial airplanes. By all previous standards it was the beginning of a "normal" Tuesday.

By close of business that fateful day, "normal" was a far cry from the reality that had descended upon our great nation. In less than two hours, those 19 terrorists had taken the lives of nearly 6,800 innocent human beings.

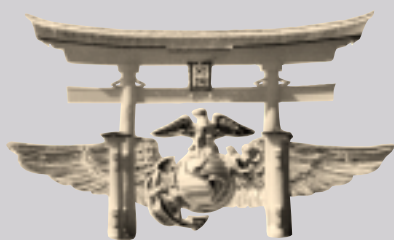
Within an hour of the tragic terrorist attacks in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania, on the other side of the globe, the Air Station was taking the appropriate force protection measures to ensure the security and safety of our military members, civilian employees, and their families.

Many of the measures we took presented extreme challenges to conducting our "normal" business operations aboard the Station. Inconveniences were rampant on a daily basis. Information changed constantly and access to it was limited.

Let me assure everyone, the threat here was credible and demanded I take the appropriate steps, whether inconvenient or not, to

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protect you, your families, and the vital areas aboard the Station.

The bottom line is your and your family members' lives are my responsibility. It comes with the position of being the Station commander. I ask each of you for your support in understanding that "normal" before Sept. 11 will never again be the "norm." Inconveniences can be expected in the future to protect lives.

My goal is to implement the appropriate force protection measures based on credible intelligence reports. I would rather implement measures above what is needed and not have an incident here than have someone killed or injured because I did not do enough for convenience's sake.

Many Station workers and residents are wondering what is expected of them. I will use the words of our commander-in-chief, President Bush, who stated in his speech to Congress and the American people on Sept. 20 – "Live your lives."

Try to understand the inconveniences of force protection are just that – protection for you and your family. And the final thing you can do is continue to be aware of your surroundings and report unusual occurrences to the provost marshal.

As America builds the coalition against terrorism, I think it is important to note what this war is not – it is not against Islam or any other religion. It is not against an ethnic group or culture.

Terrorists and those regimes that support them – with shelter, training, or financial support – are the enemy.

Having defined the world's common enemy, I would like to take a few moments to address hate crimes. Any acts of violence against local Muslims, Arabs, or other ethnic backgrounds from Southwest Asia will not be tolerated by this command. Those convicted of such acts will be dealt with severely.

Remember, this war unites Christian, Jew, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, and Shinto against terrorists who kill not merely to end lives, but to disrupt and end a life, as the President said.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for pulling together during this crisis. The patience of our civilian workforce cannot be understated. You

arrived at work despite what seemed like literally insurmountable roadblocks to get here. You adjusted your mode of transportation and hours of work on a moment's notice to alleviate our congested gates. For that and all the other sacrifices you made during the last two weeks, I would like

to thank you on behalf of all the military members aboard the Station.

The government of Japan's support was demonstrated very early in our operations when the Hiroshima Defense Facilities Administration Bureau and the Iwakuni Defense Facilities Administration Office worked very closely with the Station to work through contractor issues and liaison with the local prefecture and municipal governments. Your understanding and long hours to support the Station during this incident was greatly appreciated.

The support provided by Rear Adm. Miyamoto and his officers and Sailors at Fleet Air Wing 31 was superb. The Japan Maritime Self Defense Force responded quickly to meet the threat and remained flexible when adjusting to Station access changes. I would like

to offer you a sincere and heartfelt thank you.

I would like to thank Mayor Ihara, of Iwakuni City, for the support provided by his police department and the patience of Iwakuni City's citizens. Even though we were unable to explain many of our measures due to security reasons, you and your citizens understood the need.

Finally, I am very proud of our young Marines and Sailors who worked hard building our defensive posture, augmenting our security forces, running our Emergency Operation Center, and keeping the information flowing, all the while balancing operational security concerns. Due to your actions, a terrorist threat was minimized by your professional response to duty.

Stay alert and mindful that future actions will require us to take appropriate force protection measures. Your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated. Our way of life is worth protecting at all costs.

As stated in my opening, MCAS Iwakuni is made up of a diverse group of people, but as the first word of our country's name implies, we are united in the worldwide cause of good versus evil. I am asking for your help and your prayers. Thank you and Semper Fidelis.



photo by Lance Cpl. Daniel Atkins

Lance Cpl. Joseph Evans, military policeman, stands guard at the Main Gate. Security aboard the Station increased after the Sept. 11 attacks.

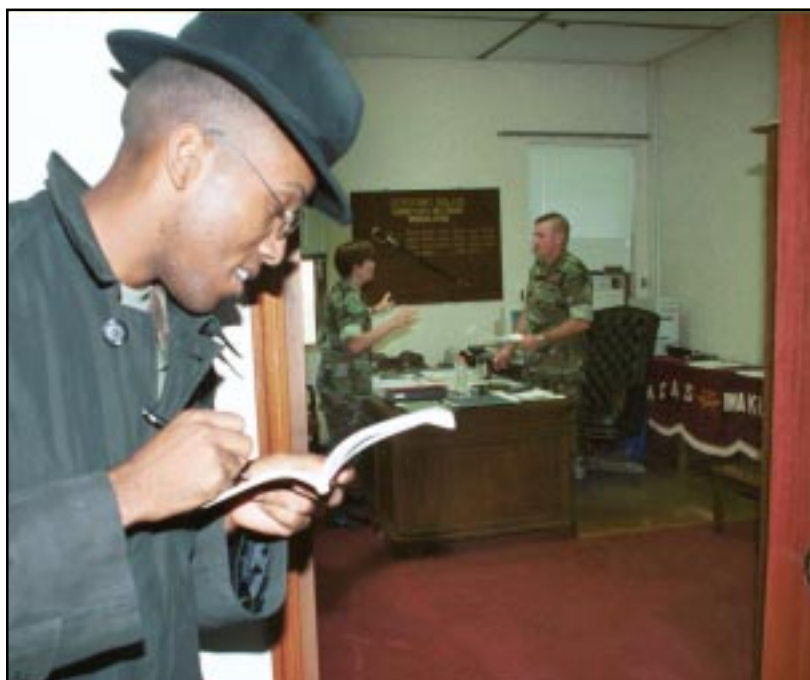


photo by Cpl. Trent Rundell

Practicing good operational security means being aware at all times of what one is saying and the surroundings one is saying it in. Others could be listening.

Loose lips sink ships

by Cpl. Trent Rundell
Torii Teller Staff

During World War I and II the "loose lips sink ships" posters cautioned personnel to be wary of inadvertently disclosing important information to the enemy.

The coined phrase still holds relevance today as events unfold around the world.

Having good operational security does not only involve keeping classified material secure. It also involves information we pass every day on the phone, e-mail, fax and public conversations.

"If enough people send little pieces

of sensitive information over a government network, phone line or e-mail, those little pieces can turn into a classified piece of information that might be hazardous to the overall mission," said Kimberly Oxendine, Information Systems Management Office network security manager.

When it comes to making sure information does not fall into the wrong hands, all must be aware.

"Operational security is everyone's responsibility," said 2nd Lt. Charles Pollok, deputy provost marshal. "That little piece of information you give out could be that one piece of information needed to place units and squadrons or

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Domestic violence awareness

by Eli Brown
Victim Advocate

Every October the Department of Defense, along with agencies nationwide, conduct awareness campaigns to educate the public about the problem of domestic violence.

Domestic violence is no longer considered a family issue, but a societal problem. Each concerned person is encouraged to stand up as an individual and together as a community, to say we will no longer tolerate, nor remain silent, about abuse in the home.

Across the nation the purple ribbon is the symbol of domestic violence awareness. Ribbons will be available at Domestic Violence Awareness

Month activities, as well as being passed out around the community. Pick up a ribbon and tie it to your door, your car antenna, pin it to your lapel, your shirt, your hat, or any place visible. When friends and strangers ask about it, explain that you are highlighting the presence of violence in our homes, and supporting the efforts to end the abuse.

Wearing a purple ribbon is one way to show the community your concern, but another is to participate in the many activities planned during the month. Being part of these events will not only show your support of this issue, but will edu-

cate you and your family more about the problem of domestic violence.

If there is violence in your home, or you suspect abuse in a friends home, call the Family Advocacy Program at 253-4526 or the Provost Marshal's Office at 253-3303. Don't tolerate family violence.



Internet photo

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and the Station is conducting a campaign to educate the public on this issue.

Women's Health/Safety Seminar

An opportunity for women to learn about topics such as domestic violence, rape and self-defense.

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at Club Iwakuni Ballroom.

Family 5K Walk/Run

Preventing violence by promoting the family is the theme of this event. The entire family is encouraged to participate.

Friday, Oct. 19, registration begins at 3 p.m. Event begins at 3:30. Meet at the Main Gym Seawall.

Smart Dating for Smart Girls - Avoiding Violence

Violence starts young. The focus of this program is to teach teenagers how to recognize the signs.

Sunday, Oct. 21, 5 p.m. at the Teen Center.

Domestic Violence Play

What is domestic violence? How better to learn than to see it acted out in front of you. Friday, Oct. 26, 7 p.m., doors open at 6 p.m.

Domestic Violence Movies

Domestic Violence movies are playing all month on Channel 14.

News Briefs

Religious Services

The times of religious services at the Station Chapel have changed. For more information, see the updated schedule on page 10 or call the chapel at 253-5218.

Energy Conservation

The Headquarters of the Marine Corps have made Oct. 22-27 Energy Conservation Awareness Week. This year's theme is "Do Your Part! Be Energy Smart!" A 10k race and bike race will be held Oct. 27. M.C. Perry Schools will be holding a poster, essay and super hero contest for students. There will be a car jam held to determine who can stuff the most people into a car Oct. 26. For more information, contact Chief James Trocke at 253-6148.

Fire Hydrant Flow Tests

The Station Fire Department will conduct fire hydrant flow tests from Oct. 15-30. If water turns rusty during this period, run the water until it becomes clear, and it will be safe to drink. For more information call the Utilities Office at 253-3044.

Mail Delays

Due to the terrorist attacks Sept. 11, mail destined for military post offices overseas was delayed. Residents who received mail from creditors late, resulting in added costs or late fees, should contact the Legal Assistance Office at 253-5591.

Children rewarded for reading effort

by **Lance Cpl. Colin Wyers**
Torii Teller Staff

Students and children who participated in the Summer Reading Program were recently recognized at an awards presentation at the Station library.

The program was designed to encourage children to read during their summer vacation, with the children reading the most books receiving awards.

"It's just a little more incentive for parents to spend time with the most precious things around, their children," said Lt. Col. William Grace, Station executive officer. "It means a lot to the children, and the Station."

Awards were handed out to the children in

each age group who had read the most books, or in the case of the youngest ones, had the most books read to them. The winners all received gift certificates to the Marine Corps Exchange, according to Florence Ouchi, library supervisor.

The program tried to reward the efforts of all the children who were involved in the reading program.

All children who attended were entered into a drawing for prizes from the event sponsors, Mister Donut and McDonalds. Dale Smith, MCCS Iwakuni director, and Grace drew the tickets, while the sponsor representatives,

Kazushi Nakamura, McDonald's Iwakuni and Otake general manager, and Kazuhiko Miyazaki, Iwakuni Station

Mister Donut manager, presented the prizes to the children.

Prior to the ceremony kicking off, children lined up to have library aids paint their faces.

"It tickled when the brush hit my face," said Antonio Walker, 8, reading program participant. "I liked it."

Many of the children were happy with their

participation in the program.

"I liked reading because I got to read a lot more history books than they assign in class," said Robert Darby, 10, participant. "I love reading."

Reading Award Winners

Ages 0-5

First: Fred Clark Newlin, III

Second: Michael Wiggins

Third: Hannah Wiggins

Ages 6-9

First: Nicole Moreno

Second: Danica Newlin

Third: Rachel Wiggins

Ages 10-12

First: Kersey Haynes

Second: Maureen Rutter

Third: Andrew Sims

Ages 13-17

First: Bianca Newlin

Second: Miyukiko Kostelny

Third: Daniel Wiggins

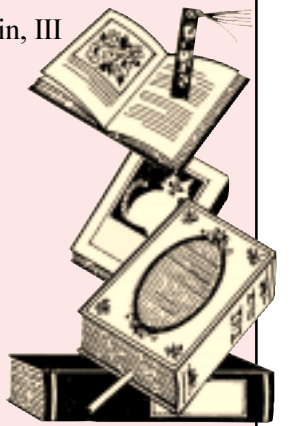


photo by Lance Cpl. Colin Wyers

Lt. Col. William Grace, Station executive officer, presents an award to Lori Williams for her son Andrews Sims, ages 10-12 third-place winner, at the ceremony held in the Station library. The ceremony rewarded the children who read the most in their age category.

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even civilians in danger."

Terrorists can piece together simple bits of information that could become classified and dangerous, according to the Naval Criminal Investigative Service. Troop movements, numbers and equipment totals are some pieces of information that can help plan an enemy attack.

According to Pollok, terrorists can use information from any phone or e-mail to find discover the bases strong and weak points.

"Operational security is something everyone must be aware of," said Oxendine. "It should always be practiced and everyone should always be aware of it."

Those in the military know how important operational security is. However, the responsibility does not end with service members.

When talking to those at home, it is imperative to let them know the importance of operational security.

"Just tell mom that we are taking all necessary force protection measures," said Oxendine. "If a unit is doing something that is unusual, don't say anything about it."

Although terrorists seek out useful information, individuals must also be cautious not to make themselves an easy target of terrorist attacks.

"An easy way to combat terrorism is to do the simple things," said Pollok. "Varying routes to and from work, deleting all files, and disposing

of faxes with numbers and units are just some examples. If we are inconvenienced, so are they."

By using common sense and practicing good operational security, individuals can effectively undermine the plans of a terrorist or enemy.

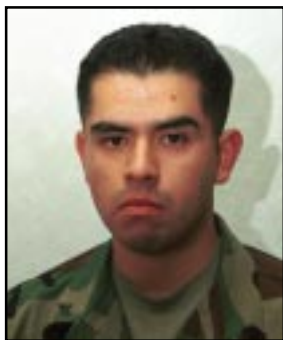
Individuals are reminded if they see anything at all unusual, on or off base, to report everything to their chain-of-command, PMO or NCIS.

As Americans in a foreign country, we need to keep the lowest profile possible, according to NCIS. Paying attention to your surroundings can also make all the difference.

If you feel like you are being followed, watched, or see anything unusual, go to a public place and call PMO at 253-3303 or 253-3055, or if off base, call 0827-21-7700.

Word on the street

~ How do the terrorist attacks in America make you feel? ~

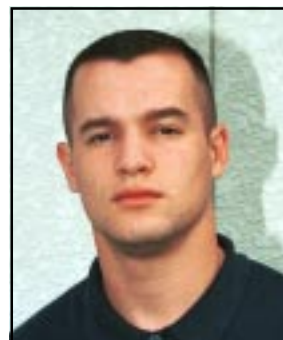


"How do I feel? How would anyone feel? It just angers me to know that my own backyard (the United States) is being attacked, and all we can do is to read, listen to, and watch the reports. I feel it's very infuriating."

- Lance Cpl. Erick Ramirez,
H&HS administration clerk

"I feel it is an outrage to think that a group of terrorists would think they could strike against America and not feel the repercussions of their actions. If anything, this has united America, making us that much stronger than before."

- Lance Cpl. Chris Tirado, H&HS
Command Visual Information Center
combat photographer



"It is sad. After all America has done for other countries, this sort of tragedy can happen."

- Lance Cpl. Rand
Sentes, Air Traffic
Control training
representative

"It is very awful. I hope we can do something about it. I pray for all the families that are going through this."

-Sergeant Daniel
Fuson, VMFA-212
avionics technician



"The United States will undoubtedly get their retribution. It makes me angry that it takes something like this to make America come together."

- Pfc. Ron Sykes,
MWSS-171

Marine Corps Integrated Maintenance
Management Systems clerk



Internet photo

The World Trade Center tower two falls to the ground in a huge cloud of smoke.

"It disturbs me that anyone would destroy a landmark and so many people at the same time. I can't even grasp why anyone would do something like that."

-Sergeant Robert Flores, VMFA-232
power line technician



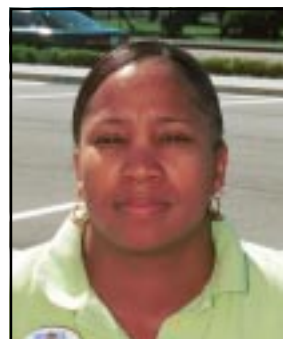
"I was certainly surprised, if anything. Especially when I watched it live on television the night that it happened. It was almost like watching a movie, as if it really was not happening."

- Jim Achey, 7-day store security

"It is sad. I think President Bush is doing everything he can for now, and I support him."

But I'm like everyone else and want to see whoever is responsible caught and put to justice."

-Rosa Taylor, library technician



"It makes me really mad that they attacked civilians, and not the military. They attacked innocent civilians instead of people who can defend themselves. Everyone will be acting on an inflamed temper, acting on emotion, so we must not sink to their level and kill their civilians. We must not make the same mistakes that we have previously in history."

- Lance Cpl. Lawrence Leung, MWSS-171
Crash Fire Rescue firefighter

"It is really sad that someone would do that, not just to us, but to anyone. Whoever that someone is has no feelings for mankind in general."

-Lisa Talkington, family member



Devil Dog

by Cpl. Kurt Fredrickson
Torii Teller Staff

For thousands of years dogs have been domesticated and earned the title of man's best friend. However, aboard the Station some dogs have earned

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Military working dog Rex demonstrates the how intimidating a dog can be, as Lance Cpl. Joseph Evans shouts commands and praise from the other end of the leash.



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gs protect Station

titles of military policeman and Marine. The working dogs of the K-9 section and their handlers prove each day that they are an integral part of the anti-terrorism and force protection efforts that keep the Station safe. Aboard the Station, the dog is also the best at what they do. The most intimidating sounds in the world are the pump action of a shotgun and a barking dog," said Sgt. Mark Kyllingstad, Provost Marshal's Office K-9 section kennel master. "It's a fight or flight reflex that is ingrained in you from the time you're a little kid. You have this big hairy beast that wants to chew you up. Obviously you want to stay away from it."

However, the K-9 unit's purpose is not to let their dogs snack on suspects or criminals. Their primary mission has two parts, which are patrolling and detection.

Patrols can be conducted anywhere on the Station to maintain security or perform detection. Detection can be anything from searching for explosives and drugs to finding an individual.

When it comes to locating and apprehending a person, no one can do it better than a well-trained dog and handler.

"If you have an individual who wants to run and who is good at running, they can get away, but very few people can outrun a dog," said Lance Cpl. Joseph Evans, dog handler. "You can hide from a man, you can hide from an MP, you can hide from a chopper, you can hide from a whole road of units looking for you, but it is very, very hard to hide from a dog."

The reason for this, Cpl. Daniel Dvorak, K-9 section chief trainer noted, is that a dog's sense of smell, hearing and sight are many times greater than a human's. Once a handler and his dog bond, the slightest twitch of the dog's ear can alert his handler to danger.

"It is a total partnership where you trust him and he trusts you," Dvorak said. "They are pets, but it's more than that. You build a bond with your dog."

That bond develops over months and sometimes years of training. According to Evans, a dog can be trained to do almost anything if a handler puts in the time.

For handlers, one of the hardest things is separating from that partnership.

"If you want to see a Marine cry like a baby, take his dog away from him," Kyllingstad said.

All of the Marines who work at K-9 understand that their dogs are so much more than a family pet. They are capable of completing complex tasks with the sole purpose of preserving the order and safety of the Station and those who live here.

"It doesn't seem like you have a dog," Evans said. "This is your partner and your best friend. It's amazing to watch what they can do."

EFT: *Military dogs and their handlers typically have tight bonds. Here, Rex gets a loving rub down after a hard days work.*



Cpl. Matthew Schweda, dog handler, gives praise to his dog Rocky after detection training aboard the Station.



Lance Cpl. Joseph Evans, dog handler, helps train military working dog Rocky by providing a moving target to latch onto.

photo by Cpl. Kurt Fredrickson

Afghanistan, a treacherous battleground

by **Gunnery Sgt. M.A. Zeid**
USMC Reserve

It is one of the most dangerous places on earth. With inhospitable mountainous terrain, a densely-mined landscape and a widely-diverse population that hates western culture, Afghanistan is a battleground that will demand more U.S. Forces, if they do go in, than any other combat zone has in the past.

Afghanistan was originally started as a buffer zone between the British-controlled India and Russia in 1747. Since then, they have been invaded several times, but never conquered.

These are the same people who repelled the British Empire and the Soviet Union. The people here have the ability to melt into the landscape and live off of it for months. An entire generation has grown up knowing nothing but war.

The geography of Afghanistan makes it an extremely difficult target. It is a landlocked country with more than half of it covered with mountains. Within these mountains are thousands of valleys, crevices and caves, which make it easy for any enemy to disappear. In an interview with NBC News, Nikolai Kovalyov, former head of the Russian Federal Security Service (a successor to the KGB) said, "In the mountains there, it is impossible to determine where or what to destroy. For every train full of explosives, perhaps three guerrillas

at most will die."

In fact, knowing what to bomb is a problem. Some people say bomb the country back to the Stone Age. Others say it's already been done. After more than two decades of war, there is very little left of the country's infrastructure. There are no real "hard" targets of military bases, missile sites or defensive positions to bomb. Even targets such as airports, power grids, major highways or bridges are already destroyed or in such bad condition that bombing them would be a waste of ordnance.

Furthermore, the Afghan army is mainly comprised of guerrilla fighters, many who were trained by our own Central Intelligence Agency. As one Pakistani official said in the same NBC News interview, "Doesn't the CIA remember they were the ones who gave the Afghans the best lessons in the world in how to humiliate a great army?"

Those who aren't in the army are too busy trying to survive the armed conflicts, drought and poverty. Until last year, the major cash industry was opium. Another popular way of raising money is to kidnap people.

On the comebackalive.com website, the following was posted, "The Afghans are among the most hospitable people in the world. In fact, some may invite you to stay

with them for a long, long time, unless you or your relatives can cough up the ransom. Kidnapping is actually a tribal tradition that goes back before recorded time."

Kidnapping is not the only problem facing anyone who tries to invade the country. The easiest way in is across the Pakistan-Afghanistan border, which is one of the most densely-mined places in the world. Once pass the mines, there are the one million or more refugees to deal with before reaching "an enemy."

The other countries that have borders with Afghanistan are Iran, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. None of these countries would welcome any armed forces using them for staging areas for ground troops. Once in the country, there is the

problem of what language to speak. The two most common are Pashtu and Dari, but there are more than 30 other languages also used in the country.

The end result is any army entering Afghanistan would be fighting a hodge-podge army of guerrilla fighters in a barren terrain where the enemy could disappear at will. The geography and erratic social structure could be their greatest ally. With limited resources and infrastructure, ground troops would have a hard time staying supplied and supported.

The challenges facing any U.S. Forces going into Afghanistan are immense. But then, so is our determination to succeed where others have failed.

Most Afghans are a peace loving people, with little or no control over the policies of the oppressive and often brutal Taliban regime. Still, Afghanistan is considered one of the most dangerous places on earth.

Internet photo

Out the gate

Note: Japanese who do not speak English may answer the phone numbers provided.

Baritone Concert

Katsunori Kohno, a baritone singer, will hold his concert Saturday from 2 p.m. at Sinfonia Iwakuni. He will sing famous Japanese and German lyric songs. Tickets are available at the Sinfonia Iwakuni for 2,500 yen. Call 29-1600.

Art Fiesta Iwakuni

The Art Fiesta Iwakuni will be held Oct. 13-14, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. near the Kintai Bridge area. Streets in the area will be decorated with Japanese traditional arts, and performers will perform traditional Japanese dances and songs. For more information call 29-5211.

Iwakuni Festival

The Iwakuni Festival will be held Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Route 188 near the Iwakuni Train Station. There will be a children's sumo tournament Oct. 20, 1-5:30 p.m. and a Japanese traditional arts performance, including singing and dancing, Oct. 20 from 4:30-8:30 at Iwakuni Citizens Hall. For more information call 29-5110 or 21-4201.

Chrysanthemum Festival

The Chrysanthemum Festival, a shinto fall festival, will be held Oct. 15 from 5-9 p.m. at the Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima. After a shinto ceremony, Japanese traditional music will be performed beginning at 6 p.m. For more information call 0829-44-2020.

Otake Festival

Otake Festival will be held Oct. 21 from 1:30-

4 p.m. Otake citizens will parade a tradition float during the festival. Call 08275-2-3105.

Art of Singing and Dancing

As part of Iwakuni City's traditional arts festival, Kabuki, the art of singing and dancing, will be performed Nov. 9 at 5:30 p.m. in the Iwakuni City Auditorium. Tickets are now available at the City Social Education Division in Iwakuni City Hall at a cost of between 1,500 yen to 4,000 yen. Tickets purchased at the door will cost more than advanced ticket sales. Call 29-5031.



Classified Ads

Vehicles for sale

—1986 Toyota 4Runner, 2-door, AM/FM, roll bar, extra set of rims, sunroof, removable hard cover, canvas cover included, JCI till June 2002, \$1,800. Call Gunnery Sgt. Boardway at 253-3020 dwh or 253-2342 awh.
 —1990 Honda Accord, 4-door sedan, JCI till Sept. 03, \$1,500/obo. Call Staff Sgt. Costello at 253-3929 dwh or 253-6486 awh.
 —1992 Honda Civic, 4-door, A/C, AM/FM cassette, PS/PW, auto, JCI till January 2002, \$1,200/obo. Call Gunnery Sgt. Boardway at 253-3020 dwh or 253-2342 awh.

Other items for sale

—Little Tikes blue racecar bed, comes with crib mattress, asking \$75. Call Mike or Beth at 253-2561.
 —Camping tent, Sears, 8'x10' tent, sleeps four adults, hardly used, \$110; Hammock, adult-size, hand woven macrame with strong metal frame and hanging brackets, easy to set up, \$100; Little Tykes castle, used indoors only, \$140. Call Linda Kostelny at 253-3278 dwh or 090-8608-3799.
 —Whirlpool dryer, heavy duty, large capacity supreme, six-cycle infinite temp, approximately 3 years old, almond color, \$150. Call Tanya at 253-2485.

Found

—Found near the recycling center, Streamlight Stinger flashlight. Call Ron Holback at 253-6058 dwh or 45-1660 awh.

Job openings

—Matthew C. Perry Schools is looking for LPN/RNs to substitute. Must currently hold a LPN or RN license. Pick up an application at M.C. Perry High School. Call 253-4673.

MCCS job openings

Contract positions:

—Licensed and experienced barbers wanted for contract employment Sundays only. Call 253-4143.
 —DJs wanted for short-term service contract. Call MCCS Contracting at 253-6103.
 —The Marine New Parent Support Program seeks a home visitor in Iwakuni. Call 253-6553.
The following jobs are open at MCCS Personnel (253-3030):
 —Recreation Ops Assistant, S/S 7 Day Store, NF-02, regular part time.
 —Library Aide, Station Library, NF-01, regular full time.
 —Program Assistant, CDC, CC-I, regular full time, in-house only.
 —Recreation Attendant, Youth Center, NF-01, regular part time.
 —Recreation Assistant, Teen Center, NF-02, regular part time.
 —Senior Sales Associate, Main Complex, NF-02, regular full time.
 —Sales Associate/Cashier, Main Complex, NF-01, regular full and part time.
 —Sales Associate/Cashier, Military Clothing, NF-01,

regular part time.

—Store Worker, Main Complex, NA-02, regular full time.
 —Customer Service Clerk, Main Complex, NF-01, regular full time.
 —Mail Clerk, MCCS Operations, NF-01, regular part time.
 —Barber, Barber Shop, NA-07, regular part time.
 —Club Manager, Club Iwakuni, NF-04, regular full time.
 —Customer Service Clerk, NF-01, regular full time, in-house only.
 —Cook, Club Iwakuni, NA-04, regular full time.
 —Food Service Worker Leader, Burger King, NL-02, regular full time.
 —Food Service Worker, Food Court, NA-02, regular full time.

CHRO job openings

—Administrative Officer, MCCS, GS-0341-09, Resumix vacancy announcement.
 —Transition Program Counselor, MCCS, GS-0101-09, Resumix vacancy announcement.
 —Training and Curriculum Specialist, MCCS, GS-1701-09, Resumix vacancy announcement.
 —Contract Specialist, Facilities, GS-1102-11, Resumix vacancy announcement.
 —Budget Analyst (Trainee), Comptroller Department, GS-0560-05/07/09, open until Oct. 9.
(For additional information and appropriate forms call CHRO, Building 360, Room 32, at 253-6828.)

Public Notice

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Inspector General are scheduled to conduct a joint accreditation survey of Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan, and Branch Medical Clinic Iwakuni from Nov. 5 to Nov. 9.

The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally-established Joint Commission and United States Navy standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which, accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality-of-care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Requests for a public information interview with JCAHO must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations
 Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
 One Renaissance Boulevard
 Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

To submit your ads or announcement ...

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Weekend's Weather

Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
			

Tide Table

	Low tide		High tide	
	Time	Size	Time	Size
Oct. 5	4:59 a.m.	51	11:11 a.m.	364
	5:16 p.m.	81	11:16 p.m.	350
Oct. 6	5:30 a.m.	49	11:46 a.m.	359
	5:50 p.m.	99	11:45 p.m.	337
Oct. 7	6:02 a.m.	53	---	---
	6:26 p.m.	122	12:24 p.m.	349
Oct. 8	6:37 a.m.	62	12:14 a.m.	319
	7:06 p.m.	148	1:07 p.m.	334
Oct. 9	7:17 a.m.	77	12:46 a.m.	298
	7:59 p.m.	175	2:01 p.m.	316
Oct. 10	8:11 a.m.	96	1:28 a.m.	273
	9:29 p.m.	193	3:20 p.m.	302
Oct. 11	9:39 a.m.	110	2:42 a.m.	251
	11:39 p.m.	182	5:06 p.m.	305



Movie Schedule

Friday

10 a.m./7 p.m. See Spot Run (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. The Sixth Day (PG-13)
 11 p.m. Highlander: End Game (R)

Saturday

10 a.m./7 p.m. The Cutting Edge (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. The Flamingo Kid (PG-13)
 11 p.m. The Imposters (R)

Sunday

10 a.m./7 p.m. Grizzly Falls (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. Gorillas In The Mist (PG-13)
 11 p.m. Lucky Numbers (R)

Monday

10 a.m./7 p.m. DARYL (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. The Pick-Up Artists (PG-13)
 11 p.m. Life (R)

Tuesday

10 a.m./7 p.m. Gremlins (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. Loser (PG-13)
 11 p.m. Liberty Heights (R)

Wednesday

10 a.m./7 p.m. Holy Moses! (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. Sugar And Spice (PG-13)
 11 p.m. Light It Up (R)

Thursday

10 a.m./7 p.m. Talent For The Game (PG)
 1 p.m./9 p.m. The Mummy (PG-13)
 11 p.m. The Insider (R)

Sakura Theater

Friday

7 p.m. Osmosis Jones
 10 p.m. Rush Hour 2

Saturday

4 p.m. Osmosis Jones
 7 p.m. Rush Hour 2
 10 p.m. The Fast and the Furious

Sunday

4 p.m. Cats and Dogs
 7 p.m. The Fast and the Furious

Monday

7 p.m. Rush Hour 2

Tuesday

7 p.m. Osmosis Jones

Wednesday

7 p.m. The Fast and the Furious

Thursday

Closed

Osmosis Jones (PG)

Rated PG for bodily humor. (95 minutes)

The notoriously funny Farrelly brothers present "Osmosis Jones," an animated, live action comic adventure about a white blood cell (voiced by Chris Rock) on a mission to track down and fend off a deadly blood virus that is threatening to kill Frank (Bill Murray), the man whose body carries the cell and the disease.

Rush Hour 2 (PG-13)

Rated PG-13 for action violence, language and some sexual material. (88 minutes)

Crime fighting has never been so hazardous — or funny. Chopsocky action star Jackie Chan teams up with motormouth Chris Tucker in this *Rush Hour* sequel as the mismatched cop duo investigate several bombings in Hong Kong attributed to Chinese gang leader Ricky Tan (John Lone) and assassin Zhang Ziyi, whose beautiful, balletic kick packs a head-ringing wallop.

The Fast and the Furious (PG-13)

Rated PG-13 for violence sexual content and language. (107 minutes)

A rookie cop goes undercover, posing as a racing team member, in order to investigate a jewelry heist. Managing to ingratiate himself with the team's leaders at first, he finds himself in jeopardy when the other members begin to suspect an imposter within their ranks, setting the stage for an exciting, climactic showdown.

The movie lineup was correct at press time. Call the Sakura Theater at 253-5291 for recorded updates.

Iwakuni's Theaters

Kokusai:

Oct. 5 - mid November
 "Tomb Raider" - 11 a.m., 1 p.m.,
 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m.,
 (Sat. only) 9 p.m., 11 p.m.

New Central I:

Oct. 5-12

"Rush Hour 2" - 1:05 p.m.,
 3 p.m., 4:55 p.m., 6:40 p.m.,
 (Sat. only) 8:25 p.m., 10:10 p.m.

New Central II:

Oct. 5-12

"Final Fantasy" - 11:25 p.m.
 (9:20 a.m. show is available only
 on Sunday, Japanese holidays,
 second/fourth Saturday)

New Central III:

Oct. 5-12

"Bridget Jones Diary" - 10 a.m.,
 2:10 p.m., 6:20 p.m., (Sat. only) 10:30 p.m.
 "Captain Corellis Mondolin" -
 11:50 a.m., 4 p.m., (Sat. only) 8:10 p.m.

Education



Test Schedule

Tuesdays/

- Fridays** - College Level Examination Program
- DANTES Subject Standardized Test

(Registration opens at 7:45 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. each day.)

- Oct. 17** - ACT Examination
Oct. 18 - Scholastic Assessment Test
Oct. 22 - Electronic Data Processing Test
Oct. 24 - Defense Language Aptitude Battery
- Defense Language Proficiency Test
Oct. 25 - Armed Forces Classification Test

Testing is free for service members. Civilians pay: CLEP \$56, DSST \$35, ACT \$38, GED \$63 and SAT \$40. Tests must be paid by money order. Call 253-3855.

Community



Alcoholics Anonymous

There are currently four Alcoholics Anonymous meetings being held in Building 1104, Room 103. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. All meetings are open and are held every Sunday at 7:00 p.m., discussion or book study groups are Fridays at 7:30 p.m., with speaker or discussion meetings on alternating weeks. Discussion meetings are held Tuesday and Thursday at noon. Call 253-5036. Inquiries are strictly confidential.

Medical Clinic Health Promotions

Tobacco Cessation Courses will be held from 10-11 a.m. at the Branch Medical Clinic on Oct. 17, 19, 24, 26. People must attend all four sessions. Cholesterol, nutrition and hypertension counseling will also be offered on an individual basis by calling 253-3266.

Off-Base Trash Disposal Class

The Family Housing Welcome Center holds off-base trash disposal classes for off-base residents every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. Learn the easy and proper way to dispose of trash off-base. For more information call 253-5541.

Tuition Assistance

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is offering tuition assistance for Term II at the University of Maryland and Central Texas College to spouses of Navy and Marine Corps service members. Applications are accepted until Oct. 19. Grants for both undergraduate and graduate studies are available. Tuition aid is granted one term at a time. Applications must be completed by Oct. 19. Stop by in Building 1100, Room 148 to pick up your packet. Call 253-5311.

Speech Contest

The Japanese American Society 40th annual speech contest will be held Nov. 4 at noon at Sinfonia Iwakuni. Participants of all ages and abilities are welcome. Members of JAS are available to assist with translation and to help practice pronunciation. Speeches must be original and unpublished. Applications can be submitted to the JAS office in Building 230 no later than Oct. 12 by mail to: JAS, PSC561 BOX 1100, FPO AP 96310-0011. For more information call 253-4771 or 253-2214. High school seniors participating in the contest may win a \$500 scholarship.

Civilian Human Resources Office

Local Employment Orientation

Civilian Human Resources Office will provide the monthly briefing for Iwakuni local job seekers on Oct. 17 from 9-10 a.m. at the Community Services Building, Room 216 and 217. Advance registration is required. Call 253-6828.

Resumix Training

A new application process started at Iwakuni on March 1. The Resumix is used by the Navy to fill merit promotion civilian job vacancies for GS-15 and below, and Wage Grade positions. The CHRO will provide valuable information on Resumix on Oct. 17 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Community Services Building, Room 216 and 217. Advance registration is required. Call 253-6828.

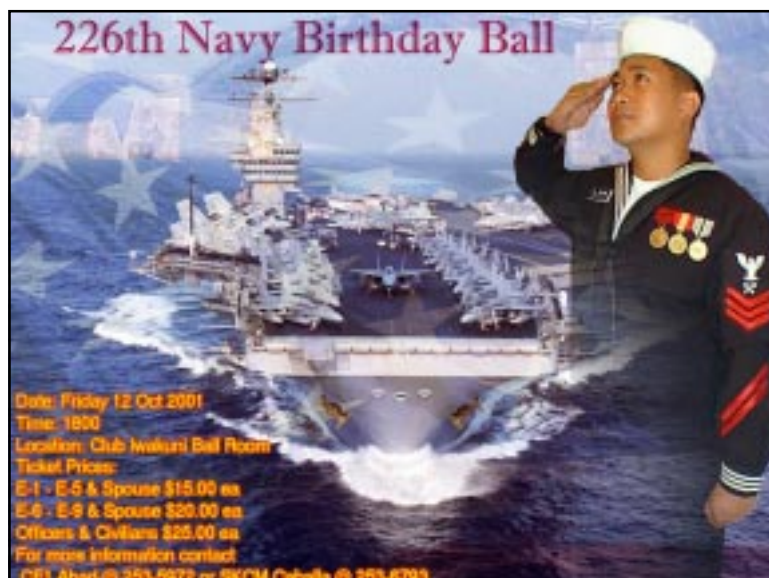
Placement Program Brief

Civilian Human Resources Office will provide an Outbound Family Member Priority Placement Program Brief on Wednesday from 9-11 a.m. at the Community Services Building, Room 216/217, for current and former GS employees who are within two months of PCSing back to the continental United States. Information presented will include Military Spouse Preference, Priority Placement Program counseling, eligibility for non-competitive appointment under EO12721, and service employment procedures. Advance registration is required. Call 253-6828.

Marine Corps Community Services

SMART Girls

SMART Girls will be held Sunday and Oct. 21, 5-6:30 p.m. Topics discussed will be smart dating and avoiding violence. Call 253-6454.



Halloween at Main Exchange

Halloween costumes, masks, and candy are now available in the Main Exchange. Purchase any two Halloween cards at Hallmark and receive a package of treat bags Oct. 14-21.

Family Day Brief

New families are welcome at the Family Day Brief, held Oct. 18, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. in the Marine Memorial Center. Call 253-3131.

Money Management

A money management workshop will be held Tuesday-Wednesday from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Call 253-6352.

Oktoberfest

The annual Oktoberfest will be held Oct. 13 from 6 p.m. in the MAC Dome. Call 253-6134.

Lunch Program

Community Services accepts applications for free and reduced-price lunches for school age children during the 2001-2002 school year. Call 253-6352 or stop by the Community Services Building, Room 236.

Childbirth Education

Childbirth education classes will be held Oct. 15, 22, 29 and Nov. 5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Call 253-6553.

Infant Care Class

Infant Care Class, a four-session parenting class, will take place Thursday, Oct. 18 and 25 from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Call 253-6553.

Chapel Services



Chapel Services

Roman Catholic

Weekdays	5:00 p.m.	Mass	(2)
Saturday	5:30 p.m.	Mass	(2)
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Mass	(2)

Protestant

Saturday	9:30 a.m.	Seventh Day	
	(2nd and 4th)	Adventist	(2)
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Liturgical Services	(2)
	10:00 a.m.	Church of Christ	(2)
	11:00 a.m.	Protestant Service	(2)
	Noon	United Pentecostal	(2)

Latter Day Saints

Sunday	12:30 p.m.	Sacramental Meeting	(1)
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Muslim

Friday	Noon	Prayer	(2)
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Jewish

Friday	6:00 p.m.	Shabat	(2)
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(1) Chapel Annex (2) Marine Memorial Center

For information regarding divine services, religious education or any other Command Religious Program/Chapel activity call the Station Chapel at 253-5218.

Sports Briefs

All-Marine Triathlon

Marines who wish to compete in the 2002 All-Marine Ironman Hawaii Triathlon team must have an application turned-in by Feb. 28, 2002. Marines must submit a resume, including a command endorsement, through Marine Corps Community Services Semper Fit Athletics. For more information, visit www.ironmanlive.com on the Internet or call 253-5654.

Golf Events

☑ Fil-Am Community Golf Tournament, Oct. 13, 7 a.m. Low Net, Double Peoria Handicap. Entry fee is \$15.

☑ Hours change beginning Oct. 12. New hours are: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; weekends and holidays 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Driving range opens nightly 6:30 and closes at midnight. Locker rooms open from 6 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Call 253-3402.

Flag Football Tournament

The Fall Classic Flag Football tournament will be held at the Main Parade Deck Oct. 19 at 2 p.m. Marine Aircraft Group 12 and Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron will face-off in this annual tournament for Station bragging rights. Free food and soft drinks will be available. For more information call 253-5777.

Softball Tournament

There will be a Drug and Alcohol Slip n' Slide One Pitch Softball Tournament on Oct. 20-21. The tournament is double-elimination and will be held regardless of weather. A coaches meeting will be held Oct. 9 in the Main Gym snack area. Participation is limited to the first 12 teams. Teams will consist of no more than 16 people, including the coach. The entry fee will be any dish or nonalcoholic beverage that can serve 10 or more people. For more information call 253-5777.

All-Marine Boxing Trials

The All-Marine Boxing trials will be held Nov. 25-29 at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. Marines interested must submit resumes including past boxing experience, numbers of bouts, and results in the past two years. A command endorsement must be included. Resumes must be submitted through Semper Fit Athletics. For more information call 253-5777.

Flag Football

Regular season flag football will begin Oct. 10. For more information call 253-5777.

Spinning Demonstration

The community is invited to a demonstration and tryout of spinning, the newest addition to the Semper Fit aerobics lineup, Saturday from 8:30-10:30 a.m., in the Main Gym. For more information call 253-5051.

Carp Stadium cultural baseball a home run of fun

by Cpl. Joe Lindsay
Torii Teller Staff

Two Iwakuni Youth Baseball teams recently traveled to Hiroshima to compete in a four-game series against a Japanese Little League baseball team at Carp Stadium.

The Iwakuni X-treme locked horns with Rijyo of Hiroshima in the first game and came away with a 6-1 victory. Rijyo didn't have much time to rest after that, losing to the Iwakuni All-Stars 11-0 in the second game of the doubleheader.

"We got out the gate real fast in the first games," said Brian Wilson, Youth Sports coordinator. "Our guys really came ready to play."

In the doubleheader the next day, the X-treme had a tougher time of it, as Rijyo came out determined not to suffer another set-back to the Americans. In a fiercely-fought contest, Rijyo managed a 7-7 tie against the X-treme before avenging their previous shutout defeat against the All-Stars with a 12-7 victory.

"The games were all hard-fought, and both sides wanted to win, but they were also played in the spirit of friendship and sportsmanship," said Wilson. "These kids know when they compete against the Japanese they're going



photo by Cpl. Randy Thompson

Members of the Iwakuni All-Stars and Japanese Little League team Rijyo leave the field at Carp Stadium in Hiroshima after congratulating each other for a job well done during the cultural games.

up against some pretty good players."

These cultural exchange games weren't about winning and losing however, as both sides seemed equally interested in forging friendships and learning about each others culture as they did about winning.

"The players all seem to understand that there is much more to these games than just baseball," said Wilson. "It's a unique opportunity for two cultures to come together on a common ground and helps to break down any stereotypes that may have existed."

Hiroshi Yamaguchi, Japanese Little League commissioner, said he couldn't agree more.

"This is a great opportunity for both sides to learn about each other through baseball," said Yamaguchi.

Though the Iwakuni teams and Rijyo don't speak the same language, they had little trouble communicating with each other through the international language of baseball.

"Children are children and baseball is baseball wherever you go," said Wilson. "Even though the cultures and languages are different, baseball is something that both sides can understand. Sports can be a great communication tool and helps break down cultural barriers."

The chance to play in Carp Stadium was also an opportunity for the youth to experience what it feels like to play in a professional baseball stadium.

"I want to be a professional baseball player in America when I

grow up just like Ichiro," said Rijyo player Yuki Kuremachi of his idol, Seattle Mariners right fielder Ichiro Suzuki. "Playing against the Americans is always exciting, but even more so in a pro stadium."

The children may not have drawn professional-size crowds, or horn-blowing and banner-waving fans to the games, but the spirit of the games on the field remained the same.

"I feel like a professional player when I'm out there on the Carp's field," said Braxton Quick, Iwakuni center fielder.

"This has been like a dream, getting a chance to play in a professional stadium against Americans," said Rijyo player Kesuke Fukuda. "I am so happy."

Empty field of dreams

by Cpl. Joe Lindsay
Torii Teller Staff

Intramural sports aboard the Station are back after a temporary postponement in the wake of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C., Sept. 11.

The decision in Iwakuni to put sports on hold was also mirrored back home in the United States, where Major League Baseball, the NFL and NCAA also postponed scheduled games.

"I want to make clear that intramurals were postponed and not cancelled," said Freddie Davis, Semper Fit sports coordinator. "Given the terrorist situation, I think the command made a very wise decision."

According to Davis, the decision was made for two main reasons.

"First of all, we didn't need the large outdoor gatherings which are associated with sports," said Davis. "Secondly, and perhaps more telling, is that all our hearts needed to be with our fallen citizens and comrades back home. It just didn't seem like the appropriate time to be having fun and playing sports."

Though intramurals were temporarily suspended, residents

could still maintain their personal physical training regiment.

"We encouraged people to continue to work out at the Main Gym, though residents were told to avoid running on the sea wall."

The sea wall is now open for PT during daylight hours.

Many service members aboard the Station agreed with Davis that the postponement of intramurals was a good idea.

"I missed playing softball," said former All-Marine player and Iwakuni Varsity Women's Softball shortstop Sarah Fickisen, "but I agree with the decision 100 percent. Our concentration and focus had to be on what we came in the Marine Corps in the first place to do, which is protecting America and freedom everywhere."

Others had an even stronger reaction to the postponements.

"There is no doubt postponing intramural was the right thing to do," said Jay Wilfrom, Rooftop Warrior left fielder. "I think we should take it a step further though, and that the games should be postponed indefinitely until we take care of this situation. I would

gladly put down my baseball bat and pick up an M-16. We should take care of these terrorists now, today, and worry about intramurals after we've taken care of the business Marines are trained to do."

Despite the postponement, many intramural participants still got together informally to work out.

"We didn't practice, but we did

stay in shape," said Fickisen.

"Now that intramurals are reinstated, I think it is a good sign that the situation is well in hand. We are in control again."

"I'm glad intramurals are back at Iwakuni," said Marine Aircraft Group 12 right fielder James Huson. "But I'll feel even better when the terrorists responsible for this tragedy get what they've got coming to them."



Locked gates and empty fields were a common sight aboard the Station in the wake of the terrorist attacks in the United States.



A solitary basketball lays on an empty floor at the Main Gym during the postponement. Intramurals have now started again in Iwakuni.

photos by Cpl. Trent Rundell